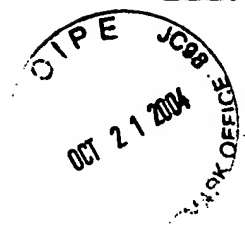


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In re the Application of:

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 28, 2004, Applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, species I for initial examination in the present application. Claims 1-10 read on the elected species.

However, applicants respectfully traverse the election requirement since all of the identified species are sufficiently related that a through and complete search for species I would necessarily encompass a through and complete search for the non-elected species. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the election requirement be withdrawn and that all species claimed herein be examined.

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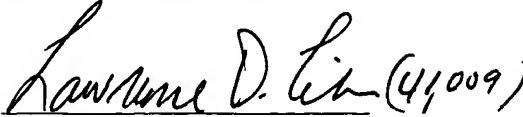
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